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SUBJ: CONGRESS OF WORLD UNITY

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1. MR. P.G. BHAVANI, REPRESENTATIVE OF WORLD UNITED, INC. FOR SOUTH ASIA DIVISION, INFORMED USIS BOMBAY LAST WEEK THAT HE HAD HEARD THAT PENNSYLVANIA BICENTENNIAL COMMISSIN HAS WITHDRAWN SUPPORT FROM WORLD UNITED, INC., WHICH HAS NOW ASKED HIM TO COLLECT POSSIBLE FUNDS FROM INDIA TO HELP CARRY OUT ITS PROJECT. WE ASSUME THAT BOTH CONGRESS OF WORLD UNITY, AND HOME HOSPITALITY PROGRAM "LATCHSTRING 1976" ARE AFFECTED. HE FURTHER STATED TEN INDIANS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND CONGRESS AND THAT AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES OF WORLD UNITED, INC. DURING RECENT VISIT TO INDIA VERBALLY AGREED TO INCREASE QUOTA OF INDIAN FAMILIES UNDER "LATCHSTRING 1976" FROM 200 TO 100, AND INCREASE LENGTH OF STAY FROM EIGHT DAYS TO THREE WEEKS.

2. POST HAS DIRECTED HUNDREDS OF INQUIRIES FROM INDIANS ABOUT HOME HOSPITALITY PROGRAM TO BHAVANI. WHILE WE HAVE NOT ASSOCIATED OURSELVES WITH PROGRAM OFFICIALLY, WE HAVE IN EFFECT AFFIRMED ITS BONA FIDES PER REFTTEL B.

3. IF OFFICIAL SUPPORT HAS BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM WORLD UNITED
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INC., AND IT CANNOT MEET ITS COMMITMENTS FOR THESE TWO PROJECTS,

WE MAY BE FACED WITH A PUBLIC RELATIONS PROBLEM. WOULD APPRECIATE
DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS AND CLARIFICATION ASAP.
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